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Good Humour *only teaches Charms to last*,
Still makes new Conquests, *and maintains the* past:
Love, *rais'd on* Beauty, *will like that decay*;
Our Hearts may bear its slender Chain *a Day*,
As flow'ry Bands *in Wantonness are worn*,
A Morning's *Pleasure, and as* Ev'ning *torn*:
This *binds in Ties more* easy, *yet more* strong,
The willing Heart, *and only holds it* long.
POPE, *to a young Lady.*

Mr. SPECTATOR, *Norwich, Feb.* 9.

S you have stil'd yourself *Universal*, every Thing falls under your Inspection; and I think nothing is more the Duty of a *Spectator*, than the Care of the *Fair Sex*. What Pity is it to see some of the most beautiful Part of the Creation, employ their Time in *trivial Amusements*, when it might be so nobly spent in improving their *Understanding*? which certainly must be much more *attractive* to the *sensible Part* of Mankind, and contribute greatly to their *Happiness* the Residue of their Lives.

The Importance of *Education* must be allow'd of the utmost Service to Youth, by forming their *Judgments*, and instilling those *Ideas*, which ought to be the Rule of their *future Conduct*. How shocking then is it to consider, that many of our *modern young Ladies* are deficient in this material Point? That their Knowledge should extend no farther than knowing how to *Dress* and *Dance well*, and where a *Patch* may be placed to Advantage? This is often productive of the greatest Unhappiness; for when these Ladies *marry*, without any other Accomplishment than a *pretty Face*, which (being the most *Volatile*) ought to be esteem'd the *last Qualification*, tho' ever so *charming*, in what a sad Condition is the *poor Husband*? Instead of a *Friend* to alleviate any Misfortune that may befal him, she is a continual *Torment*; always anxious after Baubles, 'till at last she becomes *insufferable*: And here a *Separation* is the only Thing that can yield him any Quiet; when if her *Parents* or *Guardians* had taken due Care of her *Education*, all this might have been prevented. For thus prepar'd, she would not be incident to the many *Crafts* of our Sex, and would learn not to prefer a *gay Coat* to a Man of *Sense*.

How amiable is the *Opposite* of the foregoing Character? to see *Prudence* with *Complaisance* and *Good Nature*, in a Form so pleasing and agreeable, attended with a *Sweetness* which the wisest of Men are incapable of attaining!

I think I cannot better conclude than by introducing the following *Lines*, which I receiv'd lately from an ingenious Friend, and to desire your inserting them, with this *Letter* and your *Remarks*, in your next Paper; which will greatly oblige,

Sir, your constant Reader,
And humble Servant,
P. T.

A CONTRAST.

THE vain *Coquet*, by study'd Arts,
Endeavours to trapan our Hearts:
At *Operas*, *Ridottos*, *Plays*,
She cou'd attend whole Nights and Days:
Trifling her Time and Care employs,
Nor can she taste substantial Joys.
This is the *Business* of her Sphere,
And all her *Knowledge* centers here.

But see MIRANDA, prudent Maid,
Convinc'd of *Reason's* solid Aid:
From *Foibles* of her Sex resin'd;
To *others Failings* wisely blind:
Her Virtue's in her *Conduct* seen;
No *Self-Conceit* does intervene:
Tho' Heav'n has form'd her all that's *fair*,
Yet is her *Mind* her only Care;
With *manly Sense* her Soul she decks,
And shines *superior* to her *Sex*.

From my own APARTMENT.

I Take the *Good Humour* of our Poet, in the Lines I have chosen for my Motto, to signify not merely a soft condescending *natural Temper*, but such a *happy Serenity* of Mind, and *Affability* in Conversation, as are the Result of *good Sense* carefully improv'd: Such a Disposition, in short, as we might expect should flow from the *Education* meant by my Correspondent, who has not I think sufficiently explain'd his Term. For *Education*, when apply'd to the *Fair Sex*, is usually taken for little more than Perfection in those very *Qualifications* which he seems to despise. The *Complaint*, therefore, which has been a Thousand Times made and consider'd, is not that our young Ladies *want* Education, but that their Education is too *confin'd*, and generally entrusted wholly with very *improper Persons*. My *Norwich* Friend, I dare say, has no Objection either to *Dancing* or *Dress*: He is only sorry that almost their whole *Time*, during the most precious Part of it, should be divided between the *Dancing-Master* and the *Tire-Woman*.

Were I to guess at this Gentleman's *Case* by his *Letter*, I should imagine he has himself suffer'd by one of these *uneducated Fair Ones*, who either disappointed him by preferring a more *gay Coat* to *his*, or mortified him after Marriage, by not entering into his *Troubles* and *Solicitudes*. Let which ever will be the Case, poor Man! I pity him.——Or perhaps his *Letter* was only writ to introduce his *Verses*, (a *Trick* that I suspect has been sometimes put upon me) which I own are pretty enough, and not unworthy of a Place in the *Universal Spectator*.

I have now in my Eye *two Characters* that fully illustrate the Thought of this Correspondent.

LEONILLA has some *Beauty*, which she is better *acquainted with* than any other Person living. She was brought up in the most *narrow* Way of thinking, but was always uneasy under the *Restraint*. When she married, therefore, she had *Liberty* and *Power* more in View, than any other Consideration whatsoever. Her Husband, RUPERT, loves her sincerely, and from the Beginning *gratified* her Desires in every *Passion* and *Vanity*: But the Event of this was, *Decay* of Circumstances, and a *Necessity* of retrenching. Ever since the *latter* has been attempted, LEONILLA has been the worst of Wives: She cannot forgive the *Payment* of a *Debt*, tho' the poor Man's Liberty depends upon it, in Preference to the *Purchase* of any *new Trifle* which she thinks fit to desire. RUPERT is so embarrass'd between his *Probity* and *Affection*, while he is unable *fully* to maintain the Character of either, that he is worn to a *Skeleton*, and wants the Spirits to assume that *Authority* which alone seems sufficient to preserve his *Life*.

CYNTHIA, on the contrary, has ever since her Marriage had on herself the whole *Care* and *Support* of a Family. She knew *herself* and the *World* before she engag'd in this State, and therefore, tho' the Burthen is *greater* than she ought to have expected, it sets *lighter* upon her than the *common Œconomy* of a House does on most of her Sex. Her *Husband* is quite as easy, both *Abroad* and at *Home*, as if his *own Industry* had made him so: Nor is he such a *Brute* as to reward his *Benefactress* with Churlishness and Ill-Nature.

My other Correspondent's *sprightly Thoughts* are come upon him very early in the Season. If he had look'd them over again in the Month of *March*, I fancy he would have made more *Corrections* in them than I have *ventur'd* to make. I hope he will excuse what is done, and, as his Verses have a good deal of Spirit, favour me with his *Correspondence* for the future.

SIR, *Feb.* 8, 1743.

I Hope the following *Rural Turn*, as being entirely artless, may challenge a Place in your Paper; by which you'll oblige,

Yours, NARCISSUS.

The SPRING MORNING.

WHEN Heaven's high Ruler sent his Mandate round,
Unform'd Existence felt the mighty Sound;
Elastic Nature threw the Dross away,
Eternal Spring rose with *Eternal Day*.
The same great Spirit animates each Part,
And springs for ever in the *grateful Heart*;
Now bids the sprightly Genius come along,
To view the *Spring*, and hear my *rural Song*.

See *Buds* and *Flow'rs* adorn the lovely Meads!
Hear *Vernal Breezes* murmur through the Shades!
Leave meaner Things; leave *Love's* insipid Theme,
To praise these Beauties, and the Giver's Name;
Aurelia fair, whose Charms salute the Mind,
Now waits on us, by all the Graces join'd.

See o'er th' Horizon, far as Sight can bound,
The *glorious Sun* with Golden Trelles crown'd,
In Heavenly Pride too strong for Mortal Eyes,
Ascends his bright Pavillion in the Skies!
The glitt'ring *Dew Drops* pave his radiant Way
Like sparkling Gems, and now dissolve away:
The *Trees* and *Flow'rs* their mutual Odours bring,
And *Nature's* Choir the Morning Anthem sing:
The bounding *Steed*, the *Hound* and shriller *Horn*
Together usher in the smiling Morn.

Next let us range thro' all the calm Retreats,
Where lavish Nature pours around her Sweets:
The *Birds* melodious warbling from their Throats,
To mock us Men in their superior Notes.
How fragant are the Scenes where late did reign
Old hoary *Winter* with his shiv'ring Train!
The *Beech* in all its springly Garb array'd,
How gay its Form! how grateful is its Shade!
The *Lily*, fairest of the Vernal Train,
Again Majestic on the flow'ry Plain!
The *Violet*, far above all human Arts,
At once its Beauty and its Sweets imparts!
The *Primrose*, *Cowslip*, and sweet *Daffodill*
With gay Ideas all the Senses fill,
In Dewy Tears they wail the Loss of Day,
And at his coming wipe those Tears away.

Oh! happy He with Ease who can retreat
Amidst these Scenes, amidst these Odours sweet;
To Peace and Plenty can his Hopes confine,
And Solitude with Contemplation join.

Along thy Banks, Oh! *Thames*, at Dawn of Day,
What pleasing Theme these Beauties to survey!
See *Herds* rise lowing from the teeming Earth,
(From reeking Beds) at gay *Aurora's* Birth;
And *Flocks* a bleating for the *Shepherd's* Care,
In plaintive Notes salute th' attentive Ear!
See *Fogs* distilling from thy glassy Plain,
Again to bless thy fertile Banks in Rain!
The *Elm*, the *Sycamore*, with solemn Shade,
To grace thy Banks, where peaceful Waters flow!
This *blissful Season* Heaven on us bestows,
To ease our *Troubles*, and relieve our *Woes*.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

Petersbourg, Jan. 27. M. Hohenholtz, Resident from the Queen of Hungary, has communicated to the Ministry some new Dispatches he receiv'd from his Court relating to the Affair of the Marquess de Botta. These Dispatches concern the last Declaration made by the Marquess on the Accusations contain'd in the verbal Process sent to Vienna in November last. We begin to think that this Affair will be dropp'd; at least it is certain, that the Court has receiv'd Dispatches on this Subject from M. Lanezinski, the Empress's Minister at Vienna, which are said to be of such a Nature as will adjust the Business.

Copenhagen, Feb. 7. The Incident that lately happen'd on the Part of Russia, with respect to the Transactions between Denmark and Sweden, amounts to no more than this: That the Russian Minister here declar'd, that her Imperial Majesty expected that the two Crowns would take care not to conclude any thing to the prejudice of the Rights of the Ducal House of Holstein.

Hambourg, Feb. 10. The last Advices from Persia say, that Thamas Kouli Kan continues his warlike Preparations against the Turks with all possible Vigour; but that it seems some Parties are forming in that Country, and that several of the Persian Grandees are preparing to acknowledge the young Sophi, whom the Porte strenuously recommends to them as their lawful Sovereign.

We have Advice from very good Hands, that the Empress of Russia has declar'd to the King of Great Britain, that she is dispos'd to concur with him in every Thing that may serve to maintain the Tranquility of the North; and it is not doubted but her Imperial Majesty will approve of every Thing agreed upon between Sweden and Denmark.

We are positively assur'd that his Britannick Majesty has resolv'd to form a Camp of 20,000 Hanoverians near Nyenbourg, on the Frontiers of his Electorate; for which Purpose they are actually establishing a great Magazine at Hamelen. We are also told, that this Body of Troops will be reinforced by some other German Forces, which are to be hir'd by the States-General of the United Provinces, in order to prevent the Consequences of a Project hatch'd in the Heart of Germany by the French Ministry.

Genoa, Jan. 25. His Excellency M. Stephen Durazzo, Doge of this Republick, lately died here, very much regretted by every body.

Genoa, Feb. 9. According to the last Letters from Piedmont, the King of Sardinia reinforces considerably the Troops that are in the County of Nice; they amount already to upwards of 16,000 Men, 4000 of whom are employ'd in finishing the Intrenchments along the River Var. Sixty Pieces of Cannon are actually planted on those Intrenchments, and 30 more are to be sent thither. Nice and Villafranca are in a good Posture of Defence, and have Provisions for 18 Months. Most of the Spanish Troops that were quarter'd in Savoy have reach'd the Frontiers of Dauphine.

Genoa, Feb. 1. The Master of an English Ship that sail'd from the Road of Hieres the 24th of last Month, reports, that Admiral Matthews's Squadron, which lay at Anchor there, consisted of 30 Ships of the Line, and was speedily to be join'd by several large Ships.

Vienna, Feb. 5. The Duke of Aremberg, had a Conference the 3d Instant with the Great Duke of Tuscany which lasted above two Hours, and the Result of it was, that 20 Regiments of Foot, and 16 Regiments of Horse, with a large Body of Pandoures, Croats and Hussars, must be sent to the Austrian Netherlands this Spring.

Vienna, Feb. 8. The Court has receiv'd Advice from Rome, that the Chevalier de St. George had communicated to all the Embassadors and Foreign Ministers there, a Declaration concerning his Pretensions; after which his eldest Son set out for France.

Hanover, Feb. 7. Letters from London prepare us for a general Accommodation; but intimate, that if it does not take place, Flander will undoubtedly become the Seat of War this Campaign. The same Letters inform us, that our Troops are continu'd in English Pay, as in Reason and Justice they ought to be, since we are in Jeopardy upon Great Britain's Account only, as may be undeniably prov'd in one Sense.

The Countess of Yarmouth, who has been dangerously ill of late, is now perfectly recover'd: So she writ to her Mother, the Lady of General Wendt; and adds, that his Majesty will be here again this Spring.

Madrid, Jan. 21. The finishing Hand will speedily be put to the Treaty of Commerce between this Crown and Sweden. We reckon ourselves sure of Success in the intended Expedition to Italy: For, as the English cannot block up all the Ports of France and Spain, so if they prove strong enough to keep in the Fleets at Toulon, Troops and Warlike Stores may be wafted over to Italy from Marseilles, Barcelona, and other Places. Thus, they can, at most, delay the Italian Expedition, but not entirely prevent it.

Hague, Feb. 18. On Saturday last, the 15th Instant, the States of the Province of Holland resolv'd unanimously to propose to the Assembly of the States-General, to continue to the Queen of Hungary the Succours granted last Year of 20,000 Dutch Troops, and also to hold in Readiness another Body of equal Force, to be employ'd whenever it should be found necessary for the Defence of the Republick. The said Resolution was accordingly brought yesterday Morning into the Assembly of the States-General, where it was immediately agreed to direct the Council of State not only to prepare the proper Estimates for the Services above, but to make Preparations, in Expectation of the Definitive Orders of their High Mightinesses, for carrying them into Execution.

From the Paris A-la-main, Feb. 19.

The King has declar'd that he expects in a short time a new Embassy from the Grand Signor.

M. Van Hoey, Embassador from the States General, dispatch'd a few Days since a Courier to their High Mightinesses, which he had not done for a long time past.

The King of Great Britain having demanded all the English Lords that are in France, the Court made him answer, that they are free to stay or return home.

It is at Genoa that the Chevalier de St. George's eldest Son is arriv'd. He embark'd on board a Ship of his Nation with Passports which he obtain'd of Admiral Matthews under the Name of a Cardinal's Secretary. It is confirm'd that that Prince landed at Antibes, from whence he proceeded with a Train of four Calashes to Brest, and went on board one of the Ships of M. de Roquefeuille's Squadron.

A private Letter from Brest confirms the Departure of the Squadron, consisting of 21 Ships of the Line, with Orders not to open their Instructions 'till they came to Ushant, where three English Men of War cruized.

There is great Talk of going to make a Descent in Ireland, at the Request of the Catholicks of that Kingdom, whither we are assur'd Commodore Barail has carry'd the 40,000 Muskets formerly mention'd.

Toulon, Feb. 5. At last all Things are ready for an Engagement, which cannot possibly be avoided. The first Column of the Spanish Troops is arriv'd, and the Second will be here the 7th Instant. A long Yard is laid across every one of our Ships, at the Ends of which one of the largest Bombs is fix'd, in order to burst when any of the Enemy's Ships come to grapple with us.

The Bishop of Toulon has publish'd a Mandate, ordering publick Prayers all over his Diocese, for Success to the King's Arms both by Sea and Land, the News of which we expect every Hour.

From the Paris A-la-main, Feb. 21.

We are assur'd that the King declar'd, during his Stay at the Castle of La Meutte, that, if the Wind prov'd favourable, there must have been a Sea Fight near Toulon; because he had sent positive Orders for that Purpose.

We hear that four of our Men of War have taken in the Channel the Captain, an English Man of War, commanded by Capt. Griffin, which was coming to get Intelligence of the Brest Squadron.

IRELAND.

Dublin, Feb. 4. His Majesty's Royal Letter being come over, directed to his Grace the Lord Lieutenant, for granting the Dignity of a Baron and Viscount of this Kingdom to Richard Wingfield, Esq; by the Name, Stile, and Title of Baron Wingfield in the County of Wexford, and Viscount Powerscourt in the County of Wicklow: Letters Patent are preparing to pass the Great Seal accordingly.

His Grace the Lord Lieutenant has been pleased to confer the Honour of Knighthood on Thomas Denny, of Tralee in the County of Kerry, Esq; who is the eldest Descendant in a direct Line from Sir Anthony Denny, who was one of the Executors of the Will of King Henry VIII. and one of the Guardians to Edward VI.

The Lord Lieutenant has publish'd a Proclamation, ordering all the Officers of the several Regiments, except those who are on his Majesty's Business in England, to repair immediately to their Posts, on Pain of incurring his Majesty's highest Displeasure.

We hear the Right Hon. the Earl of Besborough will resign his Employment of Commissioner of this Revenue to his second Son the Hon. John Ponsonby, Esq; and that Mr. Ponsonby will be succeeded as Secretary to the Commissioners by the Hon. Richard Ponsonby, Esq; his Lordship's third Son.

Last Tuesday died the Most Rev. Dr. Theophilus Polton, Lord Archbishop of Cashell, Primate and Metropolitan of the Province of Munster, and one of his Majesty's Privy Council. Consecrated Bishop of Clonfert and Kilmacduagh, Sept. 30, 1721, the 8th of George I. and was translated from thence to the See of Elphin, April 3, 1724, and January 1, 1729-30, was promoted to the Archiepiscopal See of Cashell. His Grace was an Ornament and Honour to his Church and Country, being a most excellent and learned Prelate, a polite Gentleman, extremely hospitable, very affable and courteous in his Behaviour; and to his great Honour, was a most useful and vast Improver in Husbandry, by cultivating barren Lands, and draining large useless Bogs, which he turned to Tillage. On Thursday last his Corpse was decently inter'd at St. Warborough's Church.

His Grace the Lord Lieutenant has been pleased to sign the proper Warrant for presenting William Tisdal, Clerk, M. A. to the Rectory and Vicarage of Killasolan, otherwise Castle-Blackney in the Diocese of Elphin: Letters Patent are preparing to pass the Great Seal accordingly.

His Grace the Lord Lieutenant hath been pleased to sign the proper Instruments for appointing Richard Wesley, Esq; a Trustee of the Linnen Manufacture, in the room of the Archbishop of Cashell, deceas'd.

Yesterday Morning came on at the Parliament House, before the Right Hon. the House of Lords, the Trial of the Right Hon. the Lord Netterville, which begun about Nine o'Clock in the Morning, and lasted 'till Twelve at Night, when after a full Hearing his Lordship was honourably acquited.

Last Wednesday 1600 Foot Soldiers on this Establishment went on board the Transports, in order to be landed at Ostend.

Dublin, Feb. 7. On Saturday last died, at his Lodgings in Graf.on-Street, Pryce Hartstonge, Esq; (eldest Son of Sir Standish Hartstonge, Bart.) Member of Parliament for the Borough of Charleville in the County of Corke.

His Grace the Archbishop of Cashel hath left his fine Library of Books at Cashel, for the Use of the Clergy of that Diocese, containing near 8000 Volumes.

COUNTRY NEWS.

Bristol, Feb. 11. Tuesday Evening 12 Sailors belonging to the Zant Packet, (now performing Quarantine in the Road) made their Escape from on board the same: Their Flight, it seems, was chiefly occasion'd by the Apprehensions they were under of being pressed after they had perform'd their Quarantine. However, their taking Shelter in our City occasion'd a great Alarm, insomuch that Warrants were issued out to apprehend them, but to no Effect.

We hear from Rulace, Merionethshire in Wales, that the People of that Country had been terribly alarm'd with several Shocks of an Earthquake.

LONDON.

Last Sunday Night an Order was sent from the Lords of the Admiralty to Greenwich, directing that his Majesty's Yatchts should be got ready for Sailing

with all Expedition, purſuant to which Order they have been haul'd out of the Docks to be clean'd and repair'd for that Purpoſe.

On Saturday Morning Orders were ſent to the Office of Ordnance at the Tower to get a large Train of Artillery, and Stores ſuitable thereto, ready to go out at an Hour's Notice, on which Account the People have work'd Day and Night ever ſince: Laſt Monday a double Guard mounted there, and the like was done at St. James's.

On Monday Morning laſt a Waggon loaded with Swords, Bayonets, Skull-Caps, &c. was brought to the Tower from the Armoury Mills at Lewiſham, for the Uſe of the Engliſh Forces.

The ſame Day 100 Barrels of Gunpowder were brought from the Magazine at Greenwich and lodg'd in the Tower, for the Uſe of the Engliſh Forces that are deſign'd to ſtay at home.

Laſt Week Orders were ſent from the War-Office to all the Companies draughted out of the ſeveral Regiments deſign'd for Flanders to halt 'till farther Notice: The Reaſons for this haſty Order are variouſly conjectur'd.

Laſt Saturday 500 Puncheons of Biſcuit and 200 Jars of Oil, with Vinegar, &c. were ſhipp'd at the Tower for the Uſe of the Fleet under the Command of Sir John Norris.

The ſame Day 16 Tons of Gunpowder, beſides Balls, Shells, Cartouches, and other Military Stores, were ſhipp'd at Woolwich for the Service of the Fleet under the Command of Admiral Matthews.

The Lords of the Admiralty have order'd a Liſt of all the Ships that are rebuilding or repairing in the ſeveral Yards of England, to be deliver'd to them immediately, in order that an additional Number of Hands may be employ'd to fit out ſuch as are likely to be the ſooneſt compleated.

His Majeſty has appointed General Cope to be Commander in Chief of all the Forces in North-Britain; and on Tueſday he and Col. Lafcelles, who has a Regiment in Scotland, ſet out for Edinburgh.

His Majeſty has been pleas'd to appoint the Right Hon. the Earl Poulet, to be Cuſtos Rotulorum of the County of Somerſet, in the room of George Doddington, Eſq;

His Majeſty has likewiſe been pleas'd to appoint William Baker, Eſq; Alderman of London, William Fawkener, Ezekiel Hall, John Hyde, Robert Jackſon, and John Caſe Major, Eſqrs. his Majeſty's Commiſſioners for diſtributing Prizes taken from the King of Spain and his Subjects by his Majeſty's Men of War.

The Right Hon. the Lords of the Admiralty have appointed Admiral Balchen to be Governor of Greenwich Hoſpital, in the room of Sir John Jennings, Knr. deceas'd.

Their Lordſhips have alſo appointed Admiral Matthews, to be Admiral of the White, and Rear-Admiral of England.

And Admiral Vernon to be Admiral of the Blue.

We hear that the Money rais'd by licenſing Retailers of Spirituous Liquors in England, ſince the Commencement of the Act of 20s. per Licence, amounts to the Sum of 123,486 l. and the Money rais'd on Diſtillers for additional Duty, is 75,227 l. 10s. in the Whole 198,713 l. 10s.

We hear that 25,000 l. is granted towards finiſhing the New Bridge at Weſtminſter.

Some Letters from Dublin ſay, that an Embargo was laid there on all Ships laden and loading with Proviſions in all the Ports of that Kingdom.

On the 2d Inſtant, Mark Brown, Eſq; of Eaſtburn in the County of Suſſex, a Relation to the Lord Viſcount Mountecute, was married at his Lordſhip's Seat at Cowdray, to Mrs. Anaſtatia Moore, Siſter of Sir John Moore, Bart. of Fawley in Berkſhire.

Laſt Saturday Richard Willis, Eſq; ſecond Son of the late Lord Biſhop of Wincheſter, was married to Miſs Read of Bedford-Row, a very agreeable young Lady of 70,000 l. Fortune.

A few Days ſince was married, at Bibury in Glouceſterſhire, Thomas Creſwell, Eſq; to Miſs Warneford of that Place; a very agreeable young Lady of an ancient Family, and a Fortune of 30,000 l.

A few Days ago died the Rev. Mr. George Prince, Rector of Baghurſt and South Stoneham in Hants; The Lord Biſhop of Wincheſter has been pleaſed to give the former Living to the Rev. Mr. Henry Tayler, Miniſter of Whitfield in Oxfordſhire.

Thurſday ſe'nnight Mr. Thomas Minors (Brother to Richard Minors, of Hollinbury in Staffordſhire, Eſq;) was marry'd at St. Paul's Cathedral to Miſs Molly Elton, Daughter to Deputy Elton of Milk-Street; a beautiful young Lady with a handſome Fortune.

Laſt Week died the Rev. Mr. John Lloyd, S.G.B and one of the Senior Fellows of Jeſus College, Oxford. He was a Gentleman of an ancient Family in Montgomeryſhire; a polite Scholar and an agreeable Companion: His chief Study was Hiſtory, and the Roman Claſſicks, from whom he receiv'd ſuch a particular and beautiful Turn of Thought and Expreſſion, as gave the utmoſt Pleaſure to all who convers'd with him. The Univerſity has loſt a Member of polite Literature, his Country a worthy Briton, and the World a Man of Integrity.

Laſt Thurſday ſe'nnight died, at his Houſe in the Lower Street, Iſlington, Richard Brown, Eſq; lately prick'd High Sheriff of the County of Nottingham; he dying without a Will, his Eſtate, which is very great, devolves to his Siſter, married to —— Sandys, Eſq;

Yeſterday ſe'nnight died, at his Houſe in Holbourn, Mr. Devall, Plumber, and Keeper of the Waters at his Majeſty's Palace at Hampton-Court, a Place of conſiderable Profit and the firſt of the Commiſſioners of his Majeſty's Board of Works.

The ſame Morning early died, at his Houſe in Lancaſter-Court in the Strand, Chriſtopher Obrian, Eſq; who was lately appointed Commander of his Majeſty's Ship the Royal Sovereign, a firſt Rate of 100 Guns: He was eſteem'd a very gallant Officer, and was one of the oldeſt Commanders in the Navy.

Laſt Monday the Dutcheſs Dowager of Hamilton and Brandon was ſeiz'd with an Apopleſtick Fit, at her Houſe in Pall-Mall, and about Nine that Night her Grace expir'd, being near Eighty Years of Age. She was Daughter and ſole Heir of Digby Lord Gerard of Bromley, and Relict of James Duke of Hamilton, who, in a Duel with the Lord Mohun in 1713 (whom he ſlew on the Spot) was unfortunately kill'd, not without Suſpicion of being ſtabb'd by Maccartney, Lord Mohun's Second. Her Jointure, which is very large, deſcends to her Grandſon the preſent Duke.

Monday died, in the 74th Year of his Age, after a lingering and tedious Illneſs, at his Houſe in Clerkenwell, William Hayten, Eſq; who had been a conſiderable time in the Commiſſion of the Peace.

The ſame Day died the Rev. Mr. Heywood, Miniſter of Great St. Hellen's, Biſhopſgate-Street.

The ſame Day died, at his Houſe in Botolph-Lane, Neil Buchanan, Eſq; Member of Parliament for the City of Glaſgow; a Gentleman of good Senſe, ſtrict Integrity, and the moſt affable Diſpoſition; he is therefore moſt juſtly lamented by all who had the Pleaſure of his Acquaintance.

The Right Hon. the Lord Chancellor has preſented the Rev. Mr. Benjamin Wingfield to the Curacy of St. Mary, in the Town of Salop and Dioceſe of Litchfield and Coventry.

The Right Hon. the Lord Chancellor has preſented the Rev. Mr. Thomas Birch, M. A. and F. R. S. to the Rectory of St. Michael's Woodſtreet, vacant by the Death of the Rev. Mr. Abbot.

On Thurſday ſe'nnight John Weſtley, Eſq; Son of the Right Hon. the Lord Mayor, was thrown off his Horſe near Epping, and broke his Collar-Bone and one of his Ribs: As ſoon as his Lordſhip heard the unwelcome News, he diſpatch'd his Coach and Six with Mr. Townſend, the Surgeon, to his Aſſiſtance, who has brought him up to Town, and there are great Hopes of his doing well.

Laſt Saturday Morning a Woman well dreſs'd, who had a conſiderable Sum of Money in her Pocket, was found deliver'd of a Child in one of the Gravel-Pits in Hyde-Park: She was immediately carry'd to St. George's Workhouſe, Groſvenor Square; but refuſed to tell her Name or to what Place ſhe belong'd, ſaying ſhe wanted no Pariſh Aſſiſtance.

Laſt Week a Gentleman very well dreſs'd was taken up drown'd at St. Katharine's: He had black Velvet Breeches on, and Silver Shoe and Knee Buckles.

Laſt Week ſixteen Perſons were tried and convicted before the Commiſſioners of the Exciſe for retailing Spirituous Liquors without Licence, and fined in the Penalty of 10 l. each; it is ſaid that no leſs than ſixteen Perſons are employ'd in that *honourable* Employment of giving Informations.

Laſt Week Meſſ. Simpſon and Corbett, Cuſtom-Houſe Officers, ſeiz'd 22 lb. Weight of Tea, and a large Quantity of Flanders Lace, at Limehouſe, which they convey'd to the Cuſtom-Houſe.

Laſt Week the Saffron Walden Coach coming from thence to London, was ſtopp'd by a ſingle Foot-pad upon Epping-Forreſt, who took from the Paſſengers a conſiderable Booty, and then made off.

Yeſterday ſe'nnight the Rev. Sir Gilbert Williams, Bart. Rector of Iſlington, was attack'd by two Foot-pads, between Wood's-Cloſe and the Turnpike, who took from him his Money and Gold Watch, and then made off.

On Monday Night laſt as Mr. Bedell, Clerk of the Vintners-Company, was going thro' the Poultry, he was attack'd by three or four Rogues, who robb'd him of his Gold Watch and Cane, and abus'd him very much, altho' ſome Watchmen were in Sight.

On Saturday Morning early ſome Fellows, by the Help of a Ladder, got into a two Pair of Stairs Chamber in the Houſe of Mrs. Palmer, in Ruſſel-Court, Blue-Anchor-Yard, in Eaſt-Smithfield, and carry'd off a large Quantity of Linnen to a conſiderable Value.

On Sunday laſt the Houſe of Mr. John Wood, of Sturry in Kent, was broke open during the Time of Divine Service, and robb'd of ſeveral Things of Value, by ſome Rogues who got clear off with their Booty before the Family return'd from Church.

Laſt Saturday Arthur Kingdon was committed to the New Gaol in Southwark by William Hammond, Eſq; on the Oath of Mr. William Ladman of St. Mary Newington, for breaking open his Dwelling-Houſe, and robbing him of a great Quantity of wet Linnen, Part of which was found upon him when taken.

Monday James Dougan, the Iriſh Prieſt, was carried from Newgate to the Court of King's Bench, Weſtminſter; and he is order'd to be tried next Term at the King's Bench Bar in Weſtminſter-Hall, for enliſting Soldiers for the King of Spain.

On Saturday laſt Mr. William Chetwynd was remov'd by Habeas Corpus, from Newgate to the Court of King's-Bench at Weſtminſter, where he pleaded his Majeſty's moſt gracious Pardon; on Account of a Special Verdict having been found againſt him at the Seſſions in the Old Baily in October, for unfortunately killing Maſter Rickets, his School-fellow, in a Diſpute about a Piece of Cake. After he had pleaded his Majeſty's moſt gracious Pardon, his Diſcharge was oppos'd by ſix Counſel, viz. Sir John Strange, Mr. Serjeant Wynne, Mr. Lacy, Mr. Morton, Mr. Areſkine, and Mr. Purcas, who inſiſted, that he ought to give Bail for a Year and a Day (from the Commiſſion of the Fact) to anſwer, if any Appeal ſhould be brought againſt him; this was oppos'd by Mr. Lloyd, Mr. Legg, and Mr. Hume Campbell (who were of Counſel for the young Gentleman) and after ſeveral long Arguments, the whole Court were unanimouſly of Opinion he ought not to give Bail; whereupon he was diſcharg'd.

The Budgen, French, from Jamaica for London, is arriv'd at Briſtol; ſhe met with very bad Weather, had her Chief Mate and another Hand waſh'd overboard, and her Sugars much damag'd.

Circuit appointed for the Lent Assizes.

Norfolk Circuit.

Lord Chief Justice Willes,
Mr. Justice Burnet.

Bucks, Monday, March 5, at Aylesbury.
Bedfordshire, Thursday, March 8, at Bedford.
Huntington, Saturday, March 10, at Huntington.
Cambridge, Monday, March 12, at the Castle of Cambridge.
Norfolk, Thursday, March 15, at Thetford.
Suffolk, Tuesday, March 20, at Ipswich.

We hear that an Embargo is laid on all Shipping at Dunkirk, and the other Ports in France,

Monday there was an Account from Gibraltar, that the Barfleur, Boyne, and Chichester Men of War, arriv'd there on the 8th past, with the Store Ships under their Convoy; and that they sail'd again from thence soon after, to join Admiral Matthews.

Last Saturday the East-India Company receiv'd an Account, by the Way of Bristol, that the Duke of Lorrain, Capt. Hancock, from Bencoolen, arriv'd last Week at Kinsale in Ireland, on which Coast she was chased, and engag'd about seven Hours, by a Spanish Privateer of about forty Guns, belonging to Bilboa; but in the Interim his Majesty's Ship the Port-Mahon, the Hon. Capt. Aylmer, Commander, coming up, and the Hampton-Court Man of War appearing at some Distance, the Privateer thought proper to throw over her Guns, to stave her Water Casks, and to take to her Oars; but as it blew a strong Gale the following Night, it is thought she must have been dash'd to Pieces on the Coast, the Port-Mahon keeping clear with Difficulty.

On the 3d Instant the Swallow, Wright, of and for London from Lisbon, put into Tenby Pier: She was taken the 18th past, in Lat. 50, by the Bigona, a Spanish Privateer of 20 Guns and 250 Men, belonging to Bilboa. Mr. Hutchinson, the Master, is on board the Privateer, as Security for the Ransom. They say a 40 Gun Privateer is cruizing in our Channel. The 26th the Swallow was examin'd by the Monmouth Man of War, who was in hopes to give a good Account of the above Privateer.

Letters from Portsmouth advise, that the Elizabeth Cutter, Jones, of Dartmouth, is arriv'd at St. Hellen's, who brings an Account that on Friday se'nnight he saw 16 Sail of French Men of War lying to about

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The Happy Molly, Skinner, from Oporto for London, is taken by a Privateer and carry'd into Havre-de-Grace.

The Nostra Senora de Carmo St. Katherina, Capt. Couszar, from Ireland for Oporto, is taken and carried into Galicia, where the Cargo was condemn'd

Monday an Account came, that the James, Doyle, bound from Waterford to Lisbon, is taken by a Spanish Privateer.

From the London Gazette.

War-Office, Feb. 13. The Right Hon. Sir William Yonge, his Majesty's Secretary at War, has appointed Edward Lloyd, Esq; First Clerk in the War-Office, to be his Deputy, in the room of Philip Baker, Esq; who has resign'd on account of his ill State of Health.

BANKRUPTS.

Thomas Stringer, late of Brotherton in the County of York, Butcher.

Becket Clement, now or late of Abingdon in the County of Berks, Coffeeman and Chapman.

Francis Brewster, of Beccles, in the County of Suffolk, Mercer and Woollen-draper.

William Simmonds and Thomas Bonnell, of the Parish of St. Martin in the Fields, in the County of Middlesex, Cabinet-Makers and Partners.

from Huntington to Sutton, was Yesterday the 11th Instant, about Six o'Clock in the Evening, attack'd on the Highway, at a Place call'd Stangate-Hole, *by a single Highwayman, who presented a Pistol to the Post-Boy's Breast, and carried off the following Bags, viz.* Durham, Hull, Boston, Falkingham, Lincoln, Horncastle, Louth, Spalding, Stamford, Bourn *and* Peterborough; *the Person who committed this Robbery is a lusty Man, and had on a large dark Frock over his Coat, his Face was cover'd with Black, and he rode on a dark Sorrel Horse with a White Face, and made off for the* Bigglefwade *Road.*

This therefore is to give Notice, That whoever shall apprehend and convict, or cause to be apprehended and convicted, the Person who committed this Robbery, will be entitled to a Reward of TWO HUNDRED POUNDS, *over and above the Reward given by Act of Parliament for apprehending of Highwaymen: Or if any Person or Persons, whether Accomplice in the said Robbery, or knowing thereof, shall make Discovery, whereby the Person who committed the same may be apprehended and brought to Justice, such Discoverer or Discoverers will, upon Conviction of the Party, be entitled to the same Reward of* TWO HUNDRED POUNDS, *and also have his Majesty's most gracious Pardon.*

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